## Getting Prepared

## Retirement Readiness <br> Worksheets



As you think about this new adventure called retirement, make certain that you're as prepared as possible. Reviewing, completing and adding to this checklist will go a long way toward ensuring a pleasant and secure retirement.

## Timeline for Retirement

| Age 50 | Age 59½ | Age 62 | Age 65 | Age 66 | Age 70½ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| gin making catch- | No more tax penalties | The minimum age to | Eligible for Medicare | Eligible for Full Social | Start taking minimum |
| up contributions, | on early withdrawals | receive Social Security |  | Security benefits if | withdrawals from most |
| an extra amount | from retirement | benefits, but delaying |  | born between 1943 | retirement accounts by |
| that those over 50 | accounts, but leaving | means a bigger |  | and 1954 | this age; otherwise, |
| can add to certain | it in means more | monthly benefit |  |  | you may be charged |
| retirement accounts | time for your money to grow |  |  |  | heavy tax penalties in the future |Estimate expenses in retirementEstimate income from all sourcesSocial SecurityPension planRetirement planIRAsSavingsOther investmentsConsider distribution optionsRollover to IRAFull or partial withdrawalsLeave account balance in planConsider annuitiesPrepare a realistic retirement budgetWatch for income tax implicationsEstimate how long savings will lastReview options for Social Security

$\square$ Work longer?Start benefits before full retirement age?Delay benefits?Verify health care coverageLearn about Medicare choicesConsider long-term care insuranceMonitor retirement account asset allocationDo an annual portfolio checkupConsider estate planning
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## Worksheet A <br> Today's Money

Instructions: Record amounts for yourself and for your spouse in columns 1 and 2. Add up the money across each row for you and your spouse, and write the total in column 3. Then add all the numbers down column 3 and write the total in column 3 at the bottom.

|  | 1 <br> You | $\mathbf{2}$ <br> Spouse | $\mathbf{3}$ <br> Total |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Retirement savings |  |  |  |
| Home equity (market value) |  |  |  |
| Mortgage and liens <br> (enter as negative amount) |  |  |  |
| Personal savings and investments |  |  |  |
| Other assets (collections, etc.) |  |  |  |
| TOTAL ASSETS |  |  |  |

## Worksheet B

## Your Money - 10 Years from Now

Asset Growth Factors for Three Selected Rates of Return*
1.344 for $3 \% \quad 1.629$ for $5 \% \quad 1.967$ for $7 \%$

|  | 1 <br> Current \$ value <br> (from Worksheet A, <br> Column 3) | $\mathbf{2}$ <br> *Asset growth <br> factor <br> (rate of return) | 3 <br> Asset value in 10 <br> years <br> (Column 1 x Column 2) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Retirement savings |  |  |  |
| Home equity (market value) |  |  |  |
| Mortgage and liens <br> (enter as negative amount) |  |  |  |
| Personal savings and investments |  |  |  |
| Other assets (collections, etc.) |  |  |  |
| TOTAL ASSETS |  |  |  |

Worksheet C
New Savings Between Now and Retirement
Savings Growth Factors for Three Selected Rates of Return*
139.741 for $3 \% \quad 155.282$ for $5 \% \quad 173.085$ for $7 \%$

|  | 1 <br> Estimated monthly <br> savings amount | $\mathbf{2}$ <br> *Savings <br> growth factor | Value of savings in <br> 10 years <br> (Column 1 x Column 2) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Retirement savings |  |  |  |
| Home equity (market value) |  |  |  |
| Mortgage and liens <br> (enter as negative amount) |  |  |  |
| Personal savings and investments |  |  |  |
| Other assets (collections, etc.) |  |  |  |
| TOTAL ASSETS |  |  |  |

## Worksheet D

## Monthly Income Over a 30-Year Retirement

Income Conversion Factors for Assumed Rates of Interest*
0.004216 for $3 \% \quad 0.005368$ for $5 \%$ 0.006653 for 7\%

|  | 1 <br> Accumulated assets <br> (Column 3 from <br> Worksheet B plus Column <br> 3 from Worksheet C) | $\mathbf{2}$ <br> *Income <br> conversion factor | 3 <br> Monthly income <br> beginning at <br> retirement <br> (Column $1 \times$ Column 2) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Social Security <br> (estimate based on your retirement year) |  |  |  |
| Retirement savings |  |  |  |
| Home equity (market value) |  |  |  |
| Mortgage and liens <br> (enter as negative amount) |  |  |  |
| Personal savings and investments |  |  |  |
| Other assets (collections, etc.) |  |  |  |
| TOTAL ASSETS |  |  |  |

## Worksheet E

## Monthly Expenses Today

Instructions: Now that you know what your savings and investments are, the next step is to move on to today's expenses. Worksheet E calculates what you spend today.

Some monthly expenses are easy to figure. Others, like a heating bill, may not remain the same from month to month and will require a calculation of your average monthly bill over a year's time. Still other bills may arrive only quarterly. While you may want to guesstimate some of these bills the first time you fill in the worksheets, you will probably want to add more accurate figures later.

If you are married, include your spouse's expenses; in addition, if anyone is financially dependent on you, add in those expenses.

|  | $1$ <br> Monthly amount |
| :---: | :---: |
| Housing |  |
| Mortgage (including condo fees) Rent <br> Maintenance |  |
| Food (at home) |  |
| Utilities |  |
| Electricity <br> Heat <br> Internet/cable <br> Phones <br> Water/sewer <br> Gas |  |
| Clothing |  |
| Taxes |  |
| Real Estate <br> Income (state and federal) Other property taxes |  |
| Insurance |  |
| House <br> Life <br> Car <br> Disability <br> Long-term care |  |

## Worksheet E - continued

|  | $1$ <br> Monthly amount |
| :---: | :---: |
| Loans |  |
| Car <br> Credit card <br> Other |  |
| Retirement savings |  |
| Personal Care |  |
| Hair cut Dry Cleaning Gym Other |  |
| Transportation |  |
| Car repairs and maintenance Gas <br> Parking <br> Public transportation |  |
| Health Care |  |
| Health insurance <br> Doctor visits <br> Hospital <br> Medicine <br> Over-the-counter medicine <br> Dental <br> Vision <br> Noncovered items |  |
| Travel/vacations |  |
| Entertainment |  |
| Eating out <br> Hobbies <br> Movies/theatre |  |
| Charitable contributions |  |
| Other |  |
| Gifts <br> Membership dues <br> Pet-related costs |  |
| TOTAL ESTIMATED MONTHLY EXPENSES (other than health) |  |
| TOTAL ESTIMATED MONTHLY EXPENSES (health) |  |

## Worksheet F Monthly Expenses in 10 Years

(First year of retirement)
$\left.\begin{array}{|l|l|l|l|}\hline & \begin{array}{c}1 \\ \text { Total monthly } \\ \text { expenses now } \\ \text { from monthly expenses } \\ \text { column in Worksheet E) }\end{array} & \begin{array}{c}\text { 2 } \\ \text { 10-year inflation } \\ \text { factor of } 1.4106 \\ (3.5 \%)^{*} \text { (except for } \\ \text { health care-see below) }\end{array} & \begin{array}{c}\text { Total expenses in } \\ \text { 10 years adjusted } \\ \text { for inflation }\end{array} \\ \text { (Column 1 x Column 2) }\end{array}\right)$

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## Worksheet F - continued

|  | 1 <br> Total monthly expenses now (from monthly expenses column in Worksheet E) | 2 <br> 10-year inflation factor of 1.4106 (3.5\%) (except for health care) | 3 <br> Total expenses in 10 years adjusted for inflation <br> (Column 1 x Column 2) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Personal care |  |  |  |
| Hair cut <br> Dry Cleaning <br> Gym <br> Other |  |  |  |
| Transportation |  |  |  |
| Car repairs and maintenance Gas <br> Parking <br> Public transportation |  |  |  |
| Health care (for a $7 \%$ inflation factor use 1.9672) |  |  |  |
| Health insurance <br> Medicare Part B <br> Medigap <br> Doctor visits <br> Hospital <br> Medicine <br> Over-the-counter medicine <br> Dental <br> Vision <br> Noncovered items |  |  |  |
| Travel/vacations |  |  |  |
| Entertainment |  |  |  |
| Eating out <br> Hobbies <br> Movies/theatre |  |  |  |
| Charitable contributions |  |  |  |
| Other |  |  |  |
| Gifts <br> Membership dues <br> Pet-related expenses |  |  |  |
| TOTAL MONTHLY EXPENSES ADJUSTED FOR 10 YEARS INFLATION (other than health) |  |  |  |
| TOTAL MONTHLY EXPENSES ADJUSTED FOR 10 YEARS INFLATION (health) |  |  |  |

## Worksheet G

## Comparing Projected Income and Expenses

Instructions: This worksheet compares your anticipated income and expenses over 30 years in retirement and will reflect any shortfall between the two.

Use the total monthly income calculated in Worksheet D and multiply it by a value adjustment factor for $0 \%$ ( 0.5174 ) at right. Then multiply this result by 360 months and enter that amount in Column 4 of Worksheet G. This is your total projected income.

Next, record the total monthly expenses calculated in Worksheet F. For expenses other than health, choose an inflation adjustment value factor of $4 \%$. For health, use a 7 percent inflation rate. Multiply this result by 360 months and
enter it in Column 4. Now subtract the total value of projected expenses ("other than health" and "health") over 30 years of retirement in Column 4 from the corresponding total value of your projected income (also in Column 4). The result is the projected value of income less expenses.

| Value Adjustment Factors |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| Inflation rate | $5 \%$ assumed rate <br> of return |
| $0 \%$ | 0.5174 |
| $3 \%$ | 0.7520 |
| $4 \%$ | 0.8640 |
| $7 \%$ | 1.3691 |


|  | $\mathbf{1}$ <br> At retirement | $\mathbf{2}$ <br> Inflation <br> adjusted value <br> factor <br> (See chart above) | $\mathbf{3}$ <br> Value in \$ <br> at retirement for month (Column <br> $1 \times$ Column 2) | Total value in \$ <br> at retirement <br> (Column $3 \times 360$ <br> months) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total projected income <br> Worksheet D, Column 3 total |  |  |  |  |
| Total projected expenses <br> Worksheet F, Column 3 total <br> Health <br> Other than health |  |  |  |  |
| Projected value of income less <br> expenses <br> Subtract Line 2 from Line 1 |  |  |  |  |

## Worksheet H <br> Additional Savings Needed Before Retirement (in 10 Years)

0.00716 for $3 \% \quad$| Additional Savings Factors* |
| :---: |
| 0.00644 for $5 \%$ | 0.00578 for $7 \%$

| Gap between projected total value of expenses and <br> projected total value of income (from Worksheet G) | 1 |
| :--- | :--- |
| Additional savings factor* | 2 |
| Additional monthly savings needed <br> (Multiply Line $1 \times$ Line 2) | $\mathbf{3}$ |


[^0]:    * This inflation rate factor is simply the factor equal to a 3.5\% inflation rate for 10 years.

